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1. Some of the members of the Central Committee of the Vietnamese Democratic Party (Viet Nam Dan Chu Dang) elected at the party conference held in Tonkin in March 1950 are known by their true names, others are known by assumed names. The better known among those who go by their true names are:
 - (a) Dzuong Duc Hien - Secretary General of the Party. Dzuong Duc Hien was formerly president of the Vietnamese Students Association. Officially and nominally, Dzuong is the founder of the Democratic Party. The actual founder of the party was Nguyen Dinh Thi, a Communist. Although Dzuong has always been a figurehead, his name has not been in the limelight during the past four years.
 - (b) Do Duc Duc (Zuo). During the past four years Do has been publicly announced as the general secretary of the Democratic Party. He is a figurehead.
 - (c) Cu Huy Can. Cu is one of the members of the Central Committee. His present role is very vague. In the past it was never clearly known whether Cu was a member of the Democratic Party or was an independent. He joined the Viet Minh in 1944 and was appointed Minister without Portfolio in the first provisional government of Ho Chi Minh. In early 1946 he was named as Minister of Agriculture. He later held the posts of Vice-Minister of Agriculture and Vice Minister of National Economy. At present he is merely a secretary of the Ministerial Council (sic) which is officially lower than a Minister without Portfolio. Cu is more capable and more important than Dzuong Duc Hien and Do Duc Duc.
 - (d) Huynh Cong Tieng - representative from South Viet Nam.*
2. Among the members of the Central Committee who have assumed names the following are important:

(a) Nguyen Viet Nam. This may be the assumed name of Nguyen Dinh Thi, who was the actual founder of the Democratic Party in 1944. He is a Communist although he pretends to be a Democrat. Dzuong Duc Hien is merely a figurehead to cover Nguyen Dinh Thi, who is a real "power" behind the scene.

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(b) Nguyen Dang. Dang may be the assumed name of Nguyen Van Dang, one of the founders of the Democratic party. He is actually a Communist and is as capable as Nguyen Dinh Thi, although less conspicuous.

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[REDACTED] Comment. Huynh Cong Tieng may be the same as Huynh Van Tieng, long prominent in the activities of the Democratic Party in Cochinchina.

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